MALAGA DELEGATION

COMMITTEE MEETING

HELD AT MIJAS 19 NOVEMBER 2026

In attendance	Saydo	Tom Maclean
	MIJAS	John Wilson
	Miraflores	Carol Frost
	Benavista	Jack Gordon
	Website	Ron Jones
	Delegado	Doug Hall
	Treasurer	Sheila Wilson
	Secretary	Bill Neal
Apologies	Bixio	Vice President
	Team Malaga	Paul Hughes
	Media	Jane Richardson

The meeting began at 1400 with a warm welcome from Doug who thanked everyone for attending and he called this meeting primarily to finalise the calendar for submission to Jaen and to discuss the Andalucian Championships being held at Lauro next year.

A vote to accept the previously published minutes as published on the website was taken. All those attending agreed to their accuracy and confirmed that were no matters arising for further discussion.

Treasurer Report. Sheila confirmed that all the clubs had received her previously published statement of account and there were no changes. No club had any questions for Sheila, and a vote was fully supported to accept the account details as published.

Sheila also explained the category 4a which had begun to appear on the registration documentation. It denotes that a [layer can play anywhere in Spain.

Etiquette. Carol informed the meeting that Miraflores had noticed recently, the lack of etiquette on display by all clubs. Together with an obvious lack of understanding of even the basic laws of our game and was very concerned this downward spiral would continue unless stopped now.

All clubs and Bill the chairman of the Malaga umpires, echoed this statement and after a healthy discussion of how we could improve the current situation it was agreed that Ron would resurrect his etiquette documents and send them to all clubs, who had agreed to introduce the guidelines issued, at each roll up session.

Clubs were also advised to correct player faults, even at friendly roll ups. This approach would go along way to remove the bad habits currently experienced.

Miraflores Bowls Competition. Carol then read a prepared statement which is reproduced below:

> Over the past two years Miraflores have had their competition disrupted by the Federation. On both occasions the dates have been set and agreed well in advance, for a competition which has been held at the same time of year for over 30 years. This has left sponsors and organisers limited time to rearrange a normally well supported competition.
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> Miraflores are disappointed that the Federation seems more interested in holding competitions for the elite rather than the bowlers. Back in 2016 when the Federation took over running bowls in Malaga I remember John Carr saying in future bowling would be run for the bowlers – oh how wrong he was! We now have a situation where a small minority are disrupting competitions and league dates. In future Miraflores will not wait for their competition to be disrupted it will be pulled from the calendar altogether, leaving a situation where the bowlers lose out.

Doug thanked Carol for her frank statement, and a small discussion took place with various personalities adding their perceived reasons why this position of cancellations and changes, occurred.

Calendar. Before John opened this agenda point, Bill confirmed that all clubs had received the latest edition of the calendar and then read out a few points raised by Jeff, from La Posada.

John will issue the final calendar after this meeting, including all matters discussed and agreed, including the confirmation of the Spanish match. Many items/dates were discussed and as agreements were reached, John amended the calendar. Doug thanked John for his efforts regarding the calendar.

Andalucian Championships. Doug opened this next agenda point apologising for starting this discussion so early but was keen to have the necessary documentation agreed by Almeria and approved by the President, well in advance of the championships next year, being held at Lauro starting on 30 October and lasting a total of 8 days with 3 days at the beginning to allow Malaga to hold preliminary matches to finalise the entries before Almeria joined the championships.

John had produced and circulated a document concerning conditions of play and had invited all clubs to make any comments before sending to Almeria for their agreement. Jeff had sent comments to Bill and these were read out.

Various paragraphs/statements were read from the document, and all clubs offered their agreement or otherwise. The main points agreed were:

Disciplines: Singles (12) and Pairs (8), Ladies and Gents

Triples (4) Open

Fours. Male and female mixed

'Jack' to be delivered, not 3 positions

Trial ends would be played

Burnt jack will be placed on the 'T'

Visits to the head

The proposed timeframe for document submission was agreed as:

1 September, call notice issued

30 September, away team submit entries and pay fees

Draw takes place

14 October, draw issued

Prizes would be medals and Ron reminded that the President should be approached for help with the funding.

John will now produce a final revision of the Conditions of Play and ask all clubs to peruse the new document and respond with any comments over the next few days, The document will then be circulated via Almeria and then the president of 'rubber stamping'.

Any other Business. Sheila asked for confirmation of the process of federation registration as she had been informed by Almeria of a different approach with the dates of new member registrations. Doug, Ron and Bill assured Sheila that her process was correct and makes perfect sense with the medical insurance provided, and to carry on.

Next Meeting. Doug wished e everybody a happy Christmas and prosperous New Year, The next meeting is scheduled for 20 January at Mijas, 1100.